

Remarks

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be allowed and forwarded on to issuance.

Statement of Substance of Examiner Interview dated 6/16/2009

Applicant would like to sincerely thank Examiner Loftis for her time in discussing this application over the phone with Applicant's attorney Daniel T. McGinnity on 6/16/2009.

During this interview, the § 103 rejections based on Ralston and Cree were discussed. Examiner Loftis clarified aspects of the outstanding rejections and offered suggested subject matter for amendments to overcome the outstanding rejections. While no agreement was reached as to allowable claims, the Applicant understood the Examiner as tentatively agreeing that incorporation of the subject matter suggested by the Examiner would overcome the references of record.

Accordingly, in the interest of expediting allowance of the subject application and without conceding the propriety of the rejections, amendments have been made to the independent claims herein in the spirit of those discussed during the interview. The Applicant submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If any issues remain that would prevent the allowance of the application, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney to resolve the issues.